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Subject: Fw: The meeting tomorrow with BBNC re: Bristol Bay and Pebble Mine

I would like to send this message to Nancy this morning. What do you think? Also who should I cc at AIEO?

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From: Richard Parkin/R10/USEPA/US
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Date: 03/28/2011 08:02 AM

Subject: The meeting tomorrow with BBNC re: Bristol Bay and Pebble Mine

## Hi Nancy,

Just a note about tribal consultation for your meeting tomorrow. BBNC as you know is an Alaska Native Corporation. They may make a strong appeal to you about consulting with native corporations just as we do with tribes. EPA's policy about consulting with corporations is not yet set. Region 10 has over 200 corporations in Alaska along with 221 tribes so we are leery about extending our consultation obligations further than our capacity allows. I have committed to the interested corporations that we will meet with them, take their input, provide them access to our process, basically everything that consultation entails. Except we don't use the word consultation. We also haven't included them on mailings and calls with tribal governments. EPA recognizes that the Native Corporations own significant land in the Bristol Bay Watershed and we will meet with them as interested stakeholders who own land in the region. If any decision would potentially affect their lands EPA would reach out to those particular AK Native Corps.

Nancy the folks visiting you have also reached out to us about a restriction placed on the number of people who will be admitted to the meeting. They are sending a larger delegation to D.C. Most of them are not with BBNC. Some of those who will not be able to hear the discussion with you if their number is restricted are the Chief of the Curyung Tribal Council, 2 Student Leaders of Dillingham City Schools Leadership Assets Youth Coalition (LAYC), another student, a number of commercial fisherman and other tribal members. If you can find a room that will fit 20-25 visitors, I recommend that you accommodate all who come. That will strengthen the open and transparent process we are trying to operate and will benefit working relations with these groups.

Thank you.

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